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TOIFABULOUS NIGHT

Shiamak Davar sings during the opening of the Times of India Film Awards musical extravaganza at the Pacific Coliseum on Thursday night. Despite a number of empty seats, the inaugural government-funded $11-million TOIFA event mixed singing, dancing and even pyrotechnics, and welcomed some of the biggest names in Bollywood to Vancouver. See story, page 4. For more photos from the gala, visit metronews.ca. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/FOR METRO

Burnaby tech company takes a quantum leap

'An entirely new thing.' D-Wave's newest computer is 500,000 times faster than its last

TYLER HARBOTTLE
The Canadian Press
Exclusively for Metro

When the world's largest defence contractor reportedly paid $10 million for a super-fast quantum computer, the Burnaby company that built it earned a huge vote of confidence.

Two years after Lockheed Martin acquired the first commercially viable quantum computer from D-Wave Systems, the American aerospace and technology giant is once again throwing its weight behind a technology many thought was still the stuff of science fiction.

Lockheed Martin has just upgraded its D-Wave One quantum computer to the D-Wave Two, a machine the company's founder Geordie Rose said is 500,000 times faster than its predecessor, which was already faster than a conventional computer.

"I don't think we would have been able to succeed to the extent that we have without them," said Rose of Lockheed Martin's investment.

Quantum computers operate at speeds unattainable by even today's most powerful supercomputers, operations that are so fast they can process millions of calculations in a fraction of the months, even years, traditional computers take.

They can even be taught and can recognize objects in images, a task standard computers struggle with.

The computers are so advanced that Ray Johnson, Lockheed's chief technical officer, has reportedly said his company would use the technology to create and test complex radar, space and aircraft systems.

It's a big win for D-Wave, said Rose, who has battled skeptics who questioned the legitimacy of his quantum technology — a technology he noted no other company is working on today.

If the company continues on the same path, it will release a new, faster commercial processor every two years, said Rose, who graduated from the University of British Columbia with a PhD in theoretical physics.

"It will be like the Wright brothers taking off," he said. "There will be an entirely new thing that wasn't possible before."

The company was initially set up in Burnaby because the city was already home to all of its founders, he said, and when they looked to expand and considered other cities the reasons to stay multiplied.

Rose said while he plans to keep D-Wave in Burnaby, he finds it annoying that Metro Vancouver, with all of its obvious positive attributes, doesn't have more depth in the technology sector.

"Canada has a beautiful system of supporting researchers and the generation of immensely valuable ideas," said Rose.

"But taking the bull by the horns and making it into a hundred-billion-dollar business just doesn't happen."

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"It will be like the Wright brothers taking off."

D-Wave Systems founder Geordie Rose, on the potential of quantum computers

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Hootsuite soars to new heights

Growing social media developer. Company moves to new 'nest'

The wise owls at Hootsuite have come home to roost in their new Vancouver nest.

One of the city's iconic tech companies, the social media developer has seen incredible growth over the past year — expanding from 50 to 300 employees.

That means a new 33,000-square-foot Mount Pleasant office for the company late of Railtown.

Double the size of the old space, the new office (which officially opened Jan. 21 but has been undergoing $2 million in renovations until recently) has everything you'd expect to see from a hip tech company with an average employee age of 29.

The office itself is open-concept, though canvas tents provide some privacy for meetings.

The pet-friendly building has gym, yoga and locker-room facilities that are open 24 hours a day, a massive cafeteria with beer on tap, and a nap room for knackered employees.

Not that business is put aside.

More than 40 televisions throughout the office display social media analytics, track public sentiment for trending events and stream Twitter hashtags while a flock of developers, community managers, sale associates and marketers peck feverishly away at their laptops.

"We want to be in a space where people like to work," said Hootsuite CEO Ryan Holmes, who called the office setup an extension of his own work habits. "It's really important to be inspired and keep the energy going. It's part of our culture."

Despite Hootsuite's tremendous growth (more than six million people use their social media management systems, as do 79 of the Fortune 100 companies), Holmes said there's been little temptation to fly south to Silicon Valley.

"In terms of talent (Vancouver is) amazing," said Holmes. "There are 500,000 Canadians living in the San Francisco area, which represents some of the best and brightest that we're not going to get back. We missed out on that, what we should do is find a way to keep them working here."

MATT KIELTYKA/METRO

Hootsuite's Jordan Mara works on a couch at the company's office in Vancouver on Thursday. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/METRO

NDP accuses Liberals of creative accounting

The NDP started priming voters Thursday to expect a projected deficit when their platform is announced in two weeks by lambasting the Liberals for what they called a hidden $790-million hole in their allegedly balanced 2013 budget.

NDP finance critic Bruce Ralston said the Liberals' projected spending growth of 0.8 per cent for 2013-14 is unrealistic, given that projected inflation and economic growth are sitting at about twice that.

"The average (spending increase) in the last four years of three per cent means that either they're deliberately suppressing expenditure, or they plan a program of slash and burn," Ralston said, flanked by platform co-chair and former NDP leader Carole James.

He criticized the Liberals for counting $625 million in expected revenue over two years from asset sales before they have been made.

The 2013-14 budget predicts the sales of 100 Crown-owned properties, but only 16 of them have actually been listed, he said. The $625-million in projected revenue also includes $125 million from sales of financial instruments, such as bonds, but Ralston said when he asked the Liberals to see the details he was denied.

"We are starting off from a position of a real deficit that the Liberals have created," he said, vowing an NDP government would balance the budget within four years of taking power.

"Our platform will sit on top of the real Liberal deficit. It will not add to the deficit, it will be balanced in the sense that our new spending ... and our revenue will balance."

On average, over the decade they were in power before the Liberals took over in 2001, the NDP ran deficits of less than one per cent of GDP each year. The Liberals, on average in their first 11 years, had tiny surpluses as a percentage of GDP.

Liberal Finance Minister Mike de Jong did not respond to a request for comment by Metro's deadline.

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Pitch-and-putts in the rough this winter

Cost savings. Park board mulls closing golf courses during slower months

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Not a single round of golf was played at Vancouver's three pitch-and-putts for 84 days this winter.

Despite minimal use during the rainy season, the city sinks more than $200,000 to keep the casual courses open from November to March.

But the park board is considering closing operations at the pitch-and-putts during the winter to cut this cost in half, according to a staff report that recommends seasonal closures.

Only 10 rounds are played per course per day on average compared to 114 in the summer at Stanley Park, Queen Elizabeth Park and Rupert Park, according to the report.

The city spends more than $100,000 on Rupert Park alone to keep it open in the colder months, even though it's the least active course, owing to its relative isolation, limited access to transit and the closure of the 15th hole over "concerns with errant golf balls."

Staff recommend providing free community access during the winter months. If you're a season-pass holder worried about damage to the courses, there will still be a roving maintenance person.

Park-board spokespersons refused to elaborate on how many jobs could be lost due to the changes ahead of the board meeting on Monday.

But the city has met with union representatives and people who could be affected by the seasonal closures to "minimize any impact" over the next six months.

North Vancouver, West Vancouver, Richmond and Burnaby already operate pitch-and-putts on a seasonal basis.

The park board will vote on the closure recommendation on Monday. EMILY JACKSON/METRO

Matt Miyashita at the pitch and putt in Queen Elizabeth Park. ERIC DREGER/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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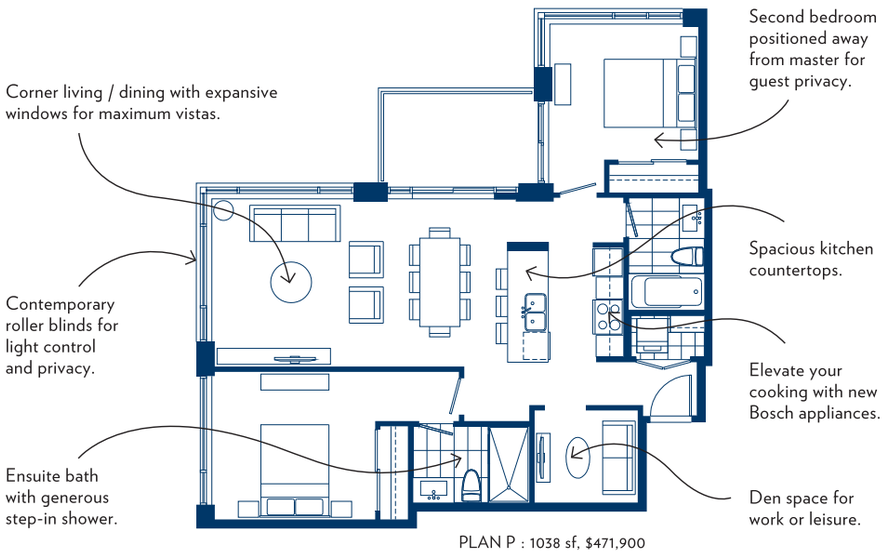
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TOIFA. Inaugural Indian film awards gala sparkles despite some empty seats

The inaugural Times of India Film Awards kicked off in Vancouver Thursday with dancers, pyrotechnics, screaming fans and quite a few empty seats.

While no official numbers were available by deadline, the audience for the musical extravaganza appeared to fill roughly three-quarters of the Pacific Coliseum's lower bowl.

The balcony wasn't open in the stadium, which was set up to fit an estimated 11,000 people, and scalpers complained they had to cut ticket prices to less than face value before the show.

But attendees decked out in sparkling saris didn't seem to mind as they posed for photos on the red carpet. Security guards even had to reprimand crowds as they jostled to get the glamour shot.

"Actors don't come down to Canada that much," said UBC student and Bollywood fan Jai Sangha. "It's a once-in-a-lifetime thing seeing them all together."

Langley business owner Mandit Gill was excited for the show — she was born in India and is a Bollywood fan — but said the real value of TOIFA was an India-Canada business forum she attended earlier this week.

The province spent $11 million to produce and promote TOIFA, which the government says will bring $13 million to $18 million in direct cash to B.C. during the event.

But aside from a quick plug for B.C. by the host, the colourful, fast-paced show was free of politics.

The cheering audience shouted its appreciation as dozens of costumed dancers accompanied performances by Mohit Chauhan, Hard Kaur, Shalmilee and Shiamak Davar.

There are still hundreds of tickets available for the awards gala at BC Place Saturday night, despite claims by event organizers and the government that the event sold out in February.

For a photo gallery of the gala, visit metronews.ca.

EMILY JACKSON/METRO

60K comics up for auction

Boxes of comic books are lined up Thursday at Able Auctions. Sixty thousand comics, amassed by an anonymous East Vancouver collector who has been buying since he was three, will be auctioned off this weekend. Story and photos at metronews.ca. ERIC DREGER/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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China. 5 dead from new bird flu

A 48-year-old man who transported poultry for a living and another unidentified person have died from a new strain of bird flu, bringing the death toll to five among 14 confirmed cases in China, the government and state media reported Thursday.

Until recently, the virus, called H7N9, was not known to infect humans.

The Ministry of Agriculture confirmed on Thursday that the H7N9 virus had been detected in pigeons at a market selling agricultural products in Shanghai.

It is not known how people are becoming sick with the virus, and health officials and scientists caution that there are no indications it can be transmitted from one person to another.

Scientists who have studied the virus's genetic sequence said this week the virus may have mutated, spreading more easily to other animals and potentially posing a bigger threat to humans. THE CANADIAN PRESS

N. Korean missile on the move

Nukes. North is not believed to have mastered technology to miniaturize nuclear bombs to mount on long-range missiles

After a series of escalating threats, North Korea has moved a missile with "considerable range" to its east coast, South Korea's defence minister said Thursday.

But he emphasized the missile was not capable of reaching the United States and there are no signs that the North is preparing for a full-scale conflict.

North Korea has been railing against U.S.-South Korean military exercises that began in March and are to continue until the end of this month.

The allies insist the exercises in South Korea are routine, but the North calls them rehearsals for an invasion and says it needs nuclear weapons to defend itself. The North has also expressed anger over tightened UN sanctions for its February nuclear test.

Analysts say the ominous warnings in recent weeks are probably efforts to provoke softer policies from South Korea, to win diplomatic talks with Washington and solidify the image of young North Korean leader Kim Jong-un.

The report of the movement of the missile came hours after North Korea's military warned that it has been authorized to attack the U.S. using "smaller, lighter and diversified" nuclear weapons. The reference to smaller weapons could be a claim that North Korea has improved its nuclear technology, or a bluff.

The North is not believed to have mastered the technology needed to miniaturize nuclear bombs enough to mount them on long-range missiles. Nor has it demonstrated that those missiles, if it has them at all, are accurate. It also could be years before the country completes the laborious process of creating enough weaponized fuel to back up its nuclear threats. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

South Korea's defence minister said Thursday North Korea has moved a missile with "considerable range" to its east coast, but said it is not capable of hitting the United States. YONHAP, LEE JONG-HOON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

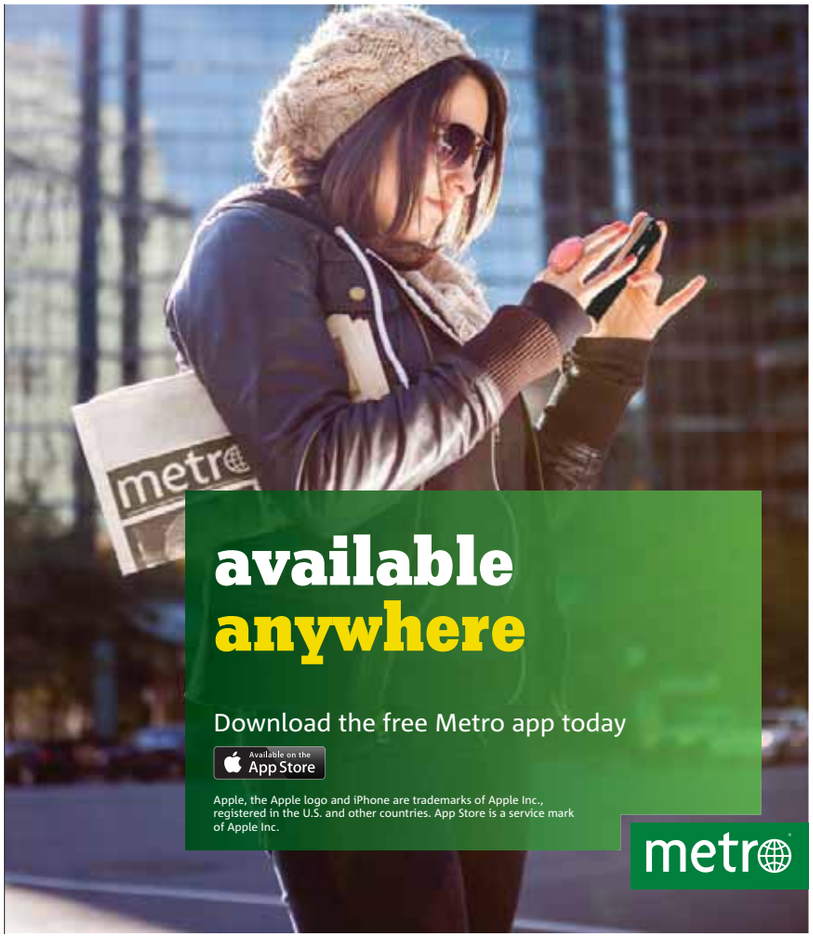
We Are Anonymous

North gets hacked

Hackers apparently broke into two of North Korea's government-run online sites Thursday, as tensions rose on the Korean Peninsula.

A picture posted Thursday on the North's Flickr site shows North Korean leader Kim Jong-un's face with a pig-like snout and a drawing of Mickey Mouse on his chest. The text reads: "Threatening world peace with ICBMs and Nuclear weapons/Wasting money while his people starve to death."

A statement, purporting to come from the attackers Anonymous and circulated online, said that they had compromised 15,000 user records. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS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Movie critic Ebert dies at 70

Roger Ebert, America's best-known film reviewer who with fellow critic Gene Siskel created the template for succinct thumbs-up or thumbs-down movie reviews, died Thursday. He was 70.

Ebert, a film critic for the Chicago Sun-Times since 1967, was also the first journalist to win a Pulitzer Prize for movie criticism. He died Thursday at the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago, his office said.

Only two days earlier, Ebert announced that he was undergoing radiation treatment after a recurrence of cancer.

Roger Ebert THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

"So on this day of reflection I say again, thank you for going on this journey with me. I'll see you at the movies," Ebert wrote on his blog.

He had no grand theories or special agendas, but millions recognized the chatty man with wavy hair and horn-rimmed glasses. Above all, they followed his thumb — pointing up or down. It was the main logo of the televised shows Ebert co-hosted, first with Siskel of the rival Chicago Tribune and — after Siskel's death in 1999 — with his Sun-Times colleague Richard Roeper. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Aluminum boats on wheeled trailers are lined up in a central aisle, ready to be hitched to the back of a truck.

Giant containers with all the clothing, tools and gear required for an entire crew are stacked up like Legos, waiting for a forklift to fetch them for transport.

There's even an Incident Command Post tucked away in the office with fill-in-the-blank operation flowcharts hung along the wall.

Everything about the Western Canada Marine Response Corporation's (WCMRC) operations scream "ready to go."

They do so about 20 times a year, with little or no fanfare.

Despite having a fleet of 31 vessels, 52 trailers and 14 support vehicles, WCMRC used to think of itself as the best-kept secret on the coast.

But with all the public attention on potential devastating oil spills, brought to light by proposed energy and pipeline projects, it can't keep itself a secret anymore.

"People don't even know we're here," said WCMRC South Coast area manager Trevor Davis during a tour of the Burnaby warehouse Tuesday. "It's not so much a misperception, but they just think there is no response company in town. Well, we're here. Not just Vancouver harbour, but all up and down the B.C. coast."

Trevor Davis, South Coast area manager for Western Canada Marine Response Corporation (WCMRC), explains how a boom is used in oil-spill response at the WCMRC warehouse in Burnaby on Tuesday. ERIC DREGER/THE CANADIAN PRESS

The Burnaby warehouse serves as headquarters for WCMRC but it's not the only one.

There are two others in Duncan and Price Rupert.

And scattered throughout the coast are smaller equipment caches that 500 trained responders can access if there's a spill in the area.

"We have a lot of coverage," Davis, a veteran sailor with Coast Guard experience, said. "Not only do we meet government requirements, we double it in certain areas."

As the only Transport Canada-certified response organization on the coast, WCMRC is mandated to respond to all offshore and navigable inland waters in B.C. — with the Canadian Coast Guard acting as a federal monitoring office.

It does so on the industry's dime, with shipping and oil-handling companies required by law to fund the organization's state of readiness (a yearly operating budget of approximately $6.5 million).

Since 1995, it has been able to build up its stores to the point where it has double the length of boom required under the Canada Shipping Act and 10 times the skimming capacity.

The organization was integral to the cleanup efforts in 2007, when a punctured pipeline in Burnaby caused a 234,000-litre land-based spill at Westridge Terminal.

About 100,000 litres of Albion synthetic crude found its way to the water through the city's storm-drain system, and it was contained and cleaned up over the course of three months.

It was Davis's first week on the job.

"That was quite the welcome," Davis laughed.

But it proved to him WCMRC was up to the task.

"The booms and ships were deployed within two hours," he said. "After the first couple of days, this (warehouse) was pretty empty — we had everything deployed."

He's been training more and more contractors and acquiring more equipment since to ensure that the province can cope should a massive spill occur.

Manpower is always a concern despite having a list of 500 people to call on, says Davis.

"I'm constantly trying to have more trained all the time," he said. "We have double the equipment required in some places, but I need trained people to run the equipment."

Once on scene, Davis said his crews' priority is containment — using booms — before skimming the oil from the water.

Protected lands, public areas and other sensitive sites are also boomed off as a precaution.

Government environmental teams continue to monitor the cleanup and the response only ends when they declare the area clean.

Operations at a glance

South Coast Operations:
- **Skimming capacity:** 222.6 tonnes/hour
- **Boom:** 13,551 metres
- **Vessels:** 17

Vancouver Island Operations:
- **Skimming capacity:** 100.5 tonnes/hour
- **Boom:** 11,917 metres
- **Vessels:** 8

North Coast Operations:
- **Skimming capacity:** 94.5 tonnes/hour
- **Boom:** 6,918 metres
- **Vessels:** 6

A closer look

1 Here comes the boom.

WCMRC has 30,147 metres of boom, used to contain a marine oil spill, available in many locations.

Each warehouse has a set of dedicated boom that must remain in the area, while the rest can be moved to other jurisdictions if required.

2 Skimming the surface.

The M.J. Green is one of several skimming vessels at WCMRC's disposal.

With a flick of the controls, the ship can take on contaminated water and use on-board skimmers to brush up and collect oil into tanks.

Western Canada Marine Response Corporation
ERIC DREGER/THE CANADIAN PRESS

New pipelines could shake up response regime

Western Canada Marine Response Corporation (WCMRC) is keeping one eye on the future as B.C. pushes forward with proposed pipeline projects.

Enbridge's Northern Gateway in Northern B.C. and the twinning of Kinder Morgan's Trans-Mountain pipeline have generated plenty of public awareness and concern about increased oil-tanker traffic along the coast.

The Kinder Morgan proposal alone would boost tanker traffic through Vancouver's port to 408 per year from 32.

WCMRC is legally required, by the Canada Shipping Act, to have the capacity to respond to a 10,000-tonne spill.

It is currently capable of responding to a spill twice that size.

But the proposed projects, if approved, would mean a major shakeup to the province's oil-spill response system.

"If these projects do happen then our regime would also need to be updated," said WCMRC South Coast area manager Trevor Davis. "As things change, our strategies also have to change. We are Transport Canada-regulated, and they're looking at what is the right number. Is it the 10,000 tonnes like we're currently at? Probably not."

Marine activity out of Kitimat due to Northern Gateway would have the most substantive change.

WCMRC's Burnaby warehouse and office currently serves as the headquarters for the organization. Because of the sheer scope of Northern Gateway, WCMRC would likely have to set up its largest operation in Kitimat once it is designated a public port.

"We (in the Lower Mainland) would probably become a small office and Kitimat would become the big one," said Davis. "If that project does go, we should step up."

MATT KIELTYKA/METRO

vessel M.J. Green is tied to a dock beside Canada Place in Vancouver ready for deployment on Tuesday.

Public port

Kitimat designation

Transport Canada announced last month it intends to designate Kitimat as a public port.

The move, part of a number of federal initiatives designed to increase oil-tanker safety, means vessels and port operators will have to abide by stricter safety regulations under the Canada Marine Act.

That would include oil-spill response times set by Transport Canada.

For example, WCMRC must be able to respond to a spill of less than 150 tonnes within Port Metro Vancouver's boundaries (already a designated port) in less than six hours.

Ready to respond

Equipment used in oil-spill containment and cleanup sits ready for deployment at the Western Canada Marine Response Corporation warehouse in Burnaby on Tuesday. WCMRC has three warehouses (the others in Prince Rupert and Duncan) stocked with response equipment and 12 other equipment caches scattered throughout the coast. ERIC DREGER/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Growing fleet

WCMRC has 31 oil-response vessels, 52 trailers and 14 support vehicles available to respond to oil spills.

That fleet grew late last year as it took possession of the M.J. Green, a high-speed skimming vessel anchored at the Vancouver harbour.

It's able to drive right into an oil spill and clean 10 tonnes of oil off the surface in as little as half an hour.

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Gulf experience

WCMRC hasn't been without practice dealing with big oil spills.

A crew was sent to the Gulf of Mexico in 2010 to respond to the BP Deepwater Horizon spill.

The organization was also able to take advantage of the experience by purchasing equipment — such as satellite-tracked buoys — used in the cleanup efforts at vastly discounted prices. METRO

On guard

WCMRC trains at least 200 members of the Fishermen's Oil Spill Emergency Team every year to build up additional capacity.

They also regularly conduct cleanup training and simulations with the community.

Their last exercise involved the Tsleil-Waututh First Nation, a drill that involved booming off protected land in the Burrard Inlet. METRO

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Will you let Facebook rule your phone?

Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg speaks about the new Home service for Android phones at the company's Menlo Park, Calif., headquarters Thursday. "We think this is the best version of Facebook there is," he said.
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April 12 launch. New Home service for Android users puts social network at centre of mobile life

With its new Home service on Android gadgets, Facebook aims to make its social network the hub of people's mobile experiences. The question, now, is whether people want all their Facebook content greeting them every time they look at their phones.

If users download Facebook's Home software starting on April 12, Facebook will become the centre of their Android smartphones. Switch on your phone and you'll see friends' photos, overlaid by status updates, links and, eventually, advertisements. If a friend sends you a message, their Facebook photo will pop up as a notification.

A feature called "chat heads" lets users communicate with their friends directly from their home screens without opening a separate app.

Done with Facebook? Swipe your finger to get to a screen with your regular Android apps to listen to music, watch videos or send email.

At first, Home will only work on some Android devices, including HTC Corp.'s One X and One X Plus and Samsung Electronics Co.'s Galaxy S III and Galaxy Note 2. A phone from HTC that comes pre-loaded with Home will be available starting April 12. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Market Minute

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GOLD $1,552.40 US (-$1.10)

Natural gas: $3.96 US (+6¢)
Dow Jones: 14,606.11 (+55.76)

Product chief departs

RBC downgrades Lululemon

RBC Capital Markets cut its rating on Lululemon Athletica Inc. and lowered its target price on the stock Thursday following the departure of the company's chief product officer.

RBC analyst Howard Tubin said Sheree Waterson was instrumental in the design process at the company for the last five years. "While we continue to believe Ms. Waterson has a solid design team in place, the loss of her creative leadership adds a new level of uncertainty to the story," RBC said in an analysis.

The departure of Waterson announced by the firm late Wednesday came just weeks after Lululemon pulled its black Luon yoga pants from store shelves over concerns they were too sheer. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Digital archives

British Library to preserve Internet for researchers

Capturing the unruly, ever-changing Internet is like trying to pin down a raging river. But the British Library is going to try.

For centuries the library has kept a copy of every book, pamphlet, magazine and newspaper published in Britain. Starting Saturday, it will also be bound to record every British website, e-book, online newsletter and blog in a bid to preserve the nation's "digital memory."

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SMARTPHONES, NOT SMART USERS

The List

Mike Benhaim
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1 No fair. Kim Jong-un is being unfairly criticized for his threats by people who just don't know the story. You see, after the Second World War, both countries laid claim to the southern territory, but the North lost a controversial game of Rock Paper Scissors. They lobbied for a "do-over," but the South asserted that the agreement was stamped "No erasies" with a "No takebacks" clause. Furthermore, South Korean President Park Geun-hye maintains that Kim's intimidation is feeble because "We are rubber and they are glue." (Note: This is NOT historically accurate. It only seems that way.)

2 Spaced out. American physics professor John Cramer released an upgraded version of his recording of the theorized Big Bang that formed the universe. Cramer explains that with no air to vibrate, space has no sound, but that the medium that pervaded the universe in the first 100,000 or so years was far more dense than the atmosphere of the Earth. All I heard was "no sound in space," thinking, "Can we send Miley Cyrus there?"

3 Sins of the father. An international team of researchers revealed a "genetic risk profile" for smokers. Ostensibly, people with a certain DNA may be predisposed to cigarette addiction. Right now, insurance companies are determining how to charge additional premiums to "elite non-smokers" based solely on their genetic makeup. Thanks guys.

4 Knocked up. Fans and media have been critical of Kim Kardashian's weight and maternity fashions. Last week, Kylie defended her step-sis, saying, "It pisses me off when people say, 'You're so fat' to Kim." Khloe stated, "OMG, I love her style," while Kourtney said, "Boo. They're jealous!" then Kendall said, "If you like it and feel good, why not?" ... and then my head exploded.

5 Smartphone. In Brazil, a woman jumped onto the subway tracks for her cellphone just as the train was arriving. The driver sounded the horn while the woman struggled to reach the platform. Two men pulled her out as the train barely missed her legs, inspiring Apple's new slogan: "iPhone5. More important than life itself."

6 Carry-on? Oh, Justin. Everyone knows you don't take your monkey to Munich without proper paperwork! Now, German authorities have given the Biebs four weeks to get him, or he'll be thrown in with the other confiscated monkeys.

7 Take a bow. Twitter exploded when Rihanna's tour bus stopped at a Walmart in Kamloops, B.C., last Sunday. Sources say the megastar entered McDonald's, bought a soft drink and made a donation to McHappy Day. She then browsed the ladies clothing section, moving gracefully, almost floating across the floor, radiating light and smelling like fresh-cut grass on a summer's day. Everyone waved as the bus pulled away, and for just one brief moment, there was peace.

8 FYI. This week in 1975, the extraordinary Minnie Riperton hit No. 1 with Loving You. Many still remember that famous high note. Four years later, Riperton succumbed to cancer, leaving husband Richard Rudolph with daughter, Maya. Yes, the same Maya Rudolph who made you laugh on SNL and in movies like Bridesmaids and Grown Ups. OK, maybe not Grown Ups.

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In this city, transit is free

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Estonian capital pulls a world's first

A woman is seen placing her transit pass on an electronic reader on a city bus in the Estonian capital of Tallinn. It became the world's first capital to introduce free public transport for all residents. The initiative covers buses, streetcars and trolleybuses. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Total cost

$16M

Deputy Mayor Taavi Aas says the experiment, which will cost the city some 12 million euros ($16 million) annually in lost ticket sales, has surpassed expectations. Passenger numbers are up 10 per cent, while the number of cars on city streets has fallen by as much as 15 per cent, according to Tallinn's transport authority. People move around more often, Aas said, adding, "This means they also spend more money, which boosts the economy."

Strategy actually builds city's revenue

The program is expected to boost the city's tax revenue because the registration requirement is essentially winning the city more taxable residents.

According to city calculations, some 40,000 people living and working in Tallinn are registered in other cities and towns. But more than 5,000 new Tallinn residents have been registered since Jan. 1, compared with 3,600 residency registrations during all of last year.

With 1,000 new residents equalling an estimated 1 million euros in tax revenue, the current registration rate would offset the cost. The only catch is that one must be registered as a city resident and get a two-euro transit pass. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Spring! A time of renewal, rebirth and hope that Explore.org will have the good sense to resurrect its shockingly popular live cam starring bears chilling in a river. But until that day comes (fingers crossed), there's more than enough animal voyeurism to keep us occupied.

Siku Cam

Hand-raised at a Denmark wildlife park, Siku the polar bear cub is the perfect Explore.org ursine stand-in while we wait for the grizzlies to return. And at just over a year old, he hasn't quite hit that terrifying adult stage. Go to ustream.tv and search for Siku Cam.

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One of the world's tallest aquarium exhibits, the forest is home to sharks, synchronized sardines and weekly appearances from scuba-diving gardeners who keep the fast-growing kelp under control. Fun for you and your cat! Go to ustream.tv and search for Kelp Forest.

Shiba Inu Puppies

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Twitter

@metropicks asked: @jannarden told @Justin_Bieber to take a career break. What's your advice for the Biebs?

@Justmemarie2: Jann Arden is correct her advice is wise!! ..... Justin Bieber needs to listen! ..... :-)

@tpagee204: grow up! He's to childish

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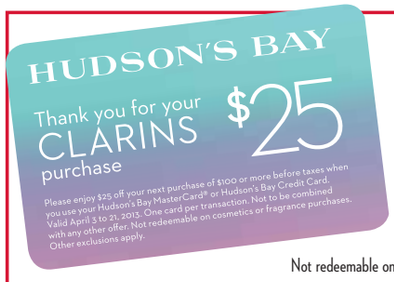
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Synopsis

It's spring! The days are getting longer, former Disney darlings are doing the Bikini Bounce on-screen in Spring Breakers and the Reel Guys have finally packed away their snow shovels and winter boots. So what better way to celebrate this time of growth and renewal than by staying indoors and watching movies? Today the Reel Guys select their favourite movies to usher in the new season.

Crime thriller Spring Breakers, a flick that sees former Disney stars go wild, is one of many movies embracing the season. HANDOUT

Films that will put a spring in your step

Reel Guys

RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN

Weary of winter? It's (hopefully) time to put away coats and bust out bikinis as the Reel Guys celebrate the coming of warm weather

Richard: Mark, there have been some Razzie winners based around spring break, that most springy of spring traditions. The Real Cancun and From Justin to Kelly spring to mind, but there have also been some pretty good ones. No one is going to mistake Reno 911! Miami as great art, but this rude, nude and lewd movie is quite funny, especially if exploding whales make you laugh. I also like the grandma of all spring break movies, Where the Boys Are. What movies remind you of spring?

Mark: Richard, to me ALL beach movies are spring movies, the formula being heat + teenagers + hope = spring. You mention Where the Boys Are, but my vote goes to For Those Who Think Young, a 1964 confection starring James Darren as a wealthy playboy trying to romance chaste Pamela Tiffin. It also stars Paul Lynde, Bob Denver, Tina Louise and Nancy Sinatra. But most importantly, there's a lot of footage of the great forgotten Florida comic Woody Woodbury. And it features the greatest movie car ever: a '64 Buick Riviera with the roof sliced neatly in two. I can't say enough good things about this bad movie.

RC: For the adults out there I'd recommend The Four Seasons, written, directed and starring everybody's favourite MASH surgeon Alan Alda. It uses the seasons — beginning in spring — to show the stages of friendship between three middle-aged couples. If it sounds too mid-life crisis-y for you, don't forget, it's also a comedy and Carol Burnett is terrific in it.

MB: Yes, it's a very good movie, with Carol Burnett in it, but it also has Bo Derek in it, too! And if The Four Seasons is about the cycle of renewal that comes with Spring, consider the Korean film Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter ... and Spring, which trumps the Alda film by an extra Spring. This quiet, meditative film about a Buddhist monk is best enjoyed on a Sunday night with a big pot of green tea. It's very good, but it doesn't have Bo Derek in it.

RC: On the other end of the scale we have Piranha 3D, Spring Break Massacre and Banshee!!! (they added the three exclamation marks, not me!!!) all of which are cautionary spring break tales.

MB: Yes, Richard, they may all be cautionary tales about spring break, but also about having a lousy agent.

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Drama

Ginger & Rosa

Director. Sally Potter

Stars. Elle Fanning, Alice Englert

Set during the Cuban Missile Crisis of 1962, Ginger & Rosa looks at two coming-of-age friends and how the tense times helped turn their relationship. While Ginger (Elle Fanning, playing three years her senior and stealing the show) is emotionally collapsing under the weight of apocalyptic fears, Rosa (Englert) adds to the ache by seducing her pacifist papa. A character sketch that imbues the pain of adolescence, the tempo is tardy but the performances spot-on.
STEVE GOW

Drama

Neighboring Sounds

Director. Kleber Mendonca Filho

Stars. Gustavo Jahn, Irma Brown, Sebastião Formiga

In Kleber Mendonça Filho's masterful Neighboring Sounds, the bitter repressions and inequalities of a middle-class neighbourhood in Recife, Brazil come to a head when a mysterious security firm is hired to protect the block from petty crime. A growing sense of dread looms over the community as the quiet class warfare between wealthy community members and the workers who keep their households running reaches a stunning impasse. **MANORI RAVINDRAN**

Comedy/Drama

The Sapphires

Director. Wayne Blair

Stars. Chris O'Dowd, Deborah Mailman, Jessica Mauboy

At the height of the girl group craze of the late 1960s four Australian Aboriginal teens, tutored by piano player and manager Dave Lovelace (Chris O'Dowd), take a shot at fame. And try not to get shot at during their gigs singing for the troops in Vietnam. The Sapphires is at its best when it embraces its light and fluffy soul. Romances swirl, as do glittery costumes. It's a slight, but entertaining take, with great performances, on the effect of music to change people's lives.
RICHARD CROUSE

Horror

Evil Dead

Director. Fede Alvarez

Stars. Jane Levy, Shiloh Fernandez

Sam Raimi's original 1982 shocker The Evil Dead was a wall-to-wall, DIY splatter landmark. The Raimi produced, Fede Alvarez directed remake however forgoes most of the manic energy of the first picture (and its sequels) in favour of atmospheric chills, baroque elegance and an absolutely jaw-dropping onslaught of vicious, stomach churning carnage. The set-up is the same: a bunch of kids go to a cabin in the woods, read from a demonic book, get possessed and hack each other into butcher spoils. But a wild final act pushes the film into histrionic horror art. **CHRIS ALEXANDER**

Carrying the torch

"The story is relevant because we still stand on his shoulders. He started something — I would even say maybe he didn't even start it, it started before him. But he carried the torch. And he carried it alone for a period of time before other people could help him."

Chadwick Boseman who portrays baseball great Jackie Robinson in the new film 42.
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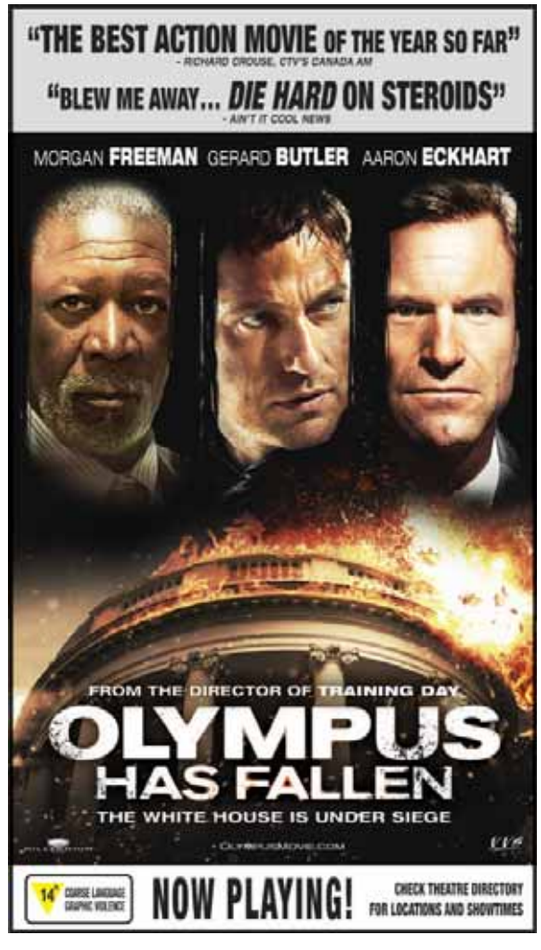
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Pacific Cinémathèque
1131 Howe Street

Death Rides a Horse (STC) Fri 8:15 Sat 6:30 Mon 8:15
Django (STC) Sun 6:30
The Ghost of Yotsuya (STC) Wed 6:30
The Horizon Glitters (STC) Wed 8 Thu 6:30 Miami Connection (STC) Fri 6:30 Sat 8:40 Sun 8:15 Mon 6:30
Revenge of the Pearl Queen (STC) Thu 8:15

Park Theatre
3440 Cambie Street

G.I. Joe: Retaliation 3D (PG) Fri 4:30-7-9:30 Sat-Sun 2-4:30-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 4:30-7-9:30

Rio on Broadway
1660 E. Broadway

Chasing Ice (G) Thu 7
Comforting Skin (STC) Sun 9:15
Evil Dead Trilogy (STC) Sat 7
Greedy Lying Bastards (STC) Thu 9:15
Hard Ticket to Hawaii (STC) Wed 9:30
John Dies at the End (14A) Tue 9:15 Wed 7
The Rep (STC) Sun 7 Tue 7
The Story of Luke (STC) Fri 7
The Warriors (PG) Fri 11

Scotiabank Theatre
Vancouver 900 Burrard St.

Evil Dead (18A) Fri-Sun 12:10-2:35-5-7:45-10:10 Mon 2:35-5-7:40-10 Tue 12:10-2:35-5-7:45-10:10 Wed-Thu 2:35-5-7:40-10 Fri 12:55-3:20-5:45-8:15-10:40 Sat 10:30-12:55-3:20-5:45-8:15-10:40 Sun 12:55-3:20-5:45-8:15-10:40 Mon 1-3:20-5:40-8:10-10:30 Tue 12:55-3:20-5:45-8:15-10:40 Wed-Thu 1-3:20-5:40-8:10-10:30
G.I. Joe: Retaliation (PG) Fri 2-4:35-7:30-10:15 Sat 11:20-2-4:35-7:30-10:15 Sun 2-4:35-7:30-10:15 Mon 1:25-4-7:05-9:50 Tue 2-4:35-7:30-10:15 Wed-Thu 1:25-4-7:05-9:50
G.I. Joe: Retaliation 3D (PG) Fri 12:10-2:45-5:20-8:10-10:45 Sat 10:45-12:10-2:45-5:20-8:10-10:45 Sun 12:10-2:45-5:20-8:10-10:45 Mon 1:05-3:40-7:45-10:20 Tue 12:10-2:45-5:20-8:10-10:45 Wed-Thu 2-4:50-7:45-10:20
Jurassic Park 3D (PG) Fri 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30 Sat 10:40-1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30 Sun 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30 Mon 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:25 Tue 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30 Wed 1:05-4-7:30-10:25 Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:25
The Metropolitan Opera: Rigoletto Encore (STC) Sat 9:55 Mon 6:30
Olympus Has Fallen (14A) Fri 1:40-4:40-7:35-10:25 Sat 1:45-4:40-7:35-10:25 Sun 1:40-4:40-7:35-10:25 Mon 1:40-4:40-7:35-10:20 Tue 1:40-4:40-7:35-10:25 Wed-Thu 1:40-4:40-7:35-10:20
Oz the Great and Powerful (PG) Fri-Sun 12:45-3:50-7:10-10:15 Mon 1:10-4:05-7-10 Tue 12:45-3:50-7:10-10:15 Wed 1:10-4:05-7-10 Thu 1:10-4:05-10
Oz the Great and Powerful 3D (PG) Fri 1:40-4:35-7:40-10:45 Sat 10:30-1:40-4:35-7:40-10:45 Sun 1:40-4:35-7:40-10:45 Mon 1:40-4:35-10:30 Tue 1:40-4:35-7:40-10:45 Wed 1:40-4:35-10:30 Thu 1:40-4:35-7:30-10:30
Spring Breakers (18A) Fri-Sun 1:20-3:40-6-8:20-10:40 Mon 1:20-3:35-5:50-8:05-10:25 Tue 1:20-3:40-6-8:20-10:40 Wed-Thu 1:20-3:35-5:50-8:05-10:25

Esplanade 6
200 West Esplanade

42 (PG) Thu 10
Admission (PG) Fri 6:55-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:45-4-6:55-9:30 Mon-Wed 6:55-9:30 Thu 6:55
The Call (14A) Fri 7:10-9:40 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:50-7:10-9:40 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:40
G.I. Joe: Retaliation (PG) Sat-Sun 3:40
G.I. Joe: Retaliation 3D (PG) Fri 7-9:45 Sat-Sun 12:40-7-9:45 Mon-Thu 7-9:45
Olympus Has Fallen (14A) Fri 6:50-9:35 Sat-Sun 12:35-3:20-6:50-9:35 Mon-Thu 6:50-9:35
Oz the Great and Powerful (PG) Fri 6:30 Sat-Sun 12:30-6:30 Mon-Thu 6:30
Oz the Great and Powerful 3D (PG) Fri 9:25 Sat-Sun 3:30-9:25 Mon-Thu 9:25
Silver Linings Playbook (14A) Fri 6:40-9:20 Sat-Sun 1-3:55-6:40-9:20 Mon-Thu 6:40-9:20

Park & Tilford
333 Brooksbank Ave.

The Croods (G) Sat 10:20-1:40 Sun 1:40
Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
The Croods 3D (G) Fri 6:50-9:30 Sat-Sun 4:10-6:50-9:30 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:30
Evil Dead (18A) Fri 7:45-10:10 Sat 12:25-2:50-5:15-7:45-10:10 Sun 2:50-5:15-7:45-10:10 Mon-Thu 7:30-10
The Host (PG) Fri 7:10-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:10-4-7:10-9:50 Mon-Thu 7:15-9:55
Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Jurassic Park 3D (PG) Fri 7-10 Sat 10-1-4-7-10 Sun 1-4-7-10 Mon-Thu 7-9:50
Life of Pi 3D (G) Fri 7-9:45 Sat 4:05-7-9:45 Sun 1:15-4:05-7-9:45 Mon-Tue 7:05-9:50 Wed 9:50 Thu 7:05-9:50
The Metropolitan Opera: Rigoletto Encore (STC) Sat 9:55
Spring Breakers (18A) Fri 7:45-9:55 Sat-Sun 1-3:10-5:30-7:45-9:55 Mon-Thu 7:20-9:45

SilverCity Riverport
14211 Entertainment Way

21 and Over (14A) Fri-Sun 8-10:35 Mon-Tue 7:20-9:55 Thu 8-10:30
42 (PG) Thu 10
Admission (PG) Fri-Thu 9:45
All Dogs Go to Heaven (STC) Sat 11
The Call (14A) Fri-Sun 1:05-3:30-5:55-8:20-10:45 Mon-Wed 2:45-5:15-7:50-10:20 Thu 5:15-7:50-10:20 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
The Croods (G) Fri 1:40-4:10-7 Sat 10:45-1:40-4:10-7 Sun-Thu 1:40-4:10-7
The Croods 3D (G) Fri 12:10-2:40-5:10-7:35-10:05 Sat 10:20-12:10-2:40-5:10-7:35-10:05 Sun 12:10-2:40-5:10-7:35-10:05 Mon-Thu 1:50-4:20-6:50-9:20
Escape From Planet Earth (G) Fri-Sun 1-3:15-5:30 Tue 2:30-4:55
Evil Dead (18A) Fri 12:55-3:20-5:45-7:40-8:15-10:10-10:40 Sat 12:45-3:20-5:45-7:40-8:15-10:10-10:40 Sun 12:55-3:20-5:45-7:40-8:15-10:10-10:40 Mon-Wed 2:45-5:25-7:40-8-10:05-10:25 Thu 2:15-4:55-7:40-10:05-10:25
Exhibition: Manet — Portraying Life (G) Thu 7:30
G.I. Joe: Retaliation (PG) Fri 1:55-4:35-7:30-10:15 Sat 11:15-1:55-4:35-7:30-10:15 Sun 1:55-4:35-7:30-10:15 Mon-Thu 1:30-4:15-7:15-10
G.I. Joe: Retaliation 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 12-2:40-5:20-8-10:45 Mon-Thu 2:20-5-7:45-10:30 A Good Day to Die Hard (14A) Fri 2:25-5-7:25-10:05 Sat 3:05-5:30-7:55-10:35 Sun-Wed 2:25-5-7:25-10:05 Thu 2:25-5-10:05
Himmatwala (PG) Fri-Thu 2-5:30-9
The Host (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:15-7:20-10:20
The Incredible Burt Wonderstone (PG) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:10-5:40-8:05-10:30 Mon-Wed 2:30-5:05-7:35-10:10 Thu 5:05-7:35
Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Jack the Giant Slayer 3D (PG) Fri 1:45-4:25-7:15-10:15 Sat 11-1:45-4:25-7:15-10:15 Sun-Mon 1:45-4:25-7:15-10:15 Wed 1:45-4:25-7:10-10:15 Thu 1:45-4:25-7:15-10:15
Jurassic Park 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 12:45-3:45-7-10 Mon-Thu 1-3:55-7-10
Jurassic Park: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30
The Metropolitan Opera: Rigoletto Encore (STC) Sat 9:55
Olympus Has Fallen (14A) Fri 1:50-4:40-7:25-10:25 Sat 11-1:50-4:40-7:25-10:25 Sun 1:50-4:40-7:25-10:25 Mon-Thu 1:50-4:40-7:30-10:25
Oz the Great and Powerful (PG) Fri 12:45-3:50 Sat 11-12:45-3:50 Sun 12:45-3:50 Mon-Thu 1:30-4:40
Oz the Great and Powerful 3D (PG) Fri 1:30-4:35-7:35-10:35 Sat 10:30-1:30-4:35-7:35-10:35 Sun 1:30-4:35-7:35-10:35 Mon-Thu 1:05-4:05-7:05-10:05
Silver Linings Playbook (14A) Fri-Sat 1:15-4:10-7:10-10:10 Sun 12:30-9 Mon-Thu 1:15-4:20-7:15-10:15
Spring Breakers (18A) Fri-Sun 1:20-3:40-6-8:20-10:40 Mon-Thu 1-3:20-5:40-8:05-10:30
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Dolphin Cinemas
4555 E. Hastings St.

The Croods (G) Fri 4:30-6:40-9:45 Sat-Sun 2:30-4:30-6:40-9:45 Mon-Thu 4:30-6:40-9:45
G.I. Joe: Retaliation (PG) Fri 4:30-6:45-9 Sat-Sun 2-4:30-6:45-9 Mon-Thu 4:30-6:45-9

SilverCity Metropolis
4700 Kingsway Ave.

All Dogs Go to Heaven (STC) Sat 11
The Croods (G) Fri 2:35 Sat-Sun 12:05 Mon-Thu 1:55
The Croods 3D (G) Fri 5-7:30-10 Sat 11:05 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:10-9:30 Sat-Sun 2:35-5-7:30-10
Evil Dead (18A) Fri 1-3:20-5:40-8:15-10:45 Sat-Sun 12:45-3:10-5:35-8:15-10:45 Mon-Thu 2:45-5:10-7:40-10:15
G.I. Joe: Retaliation (PG) Fri 1:50-4:35-7:10-10:05 Sat 11:10-1:50-4:35-7:10-10:05 Sun 1:50-4:35-7:10-10:05 Mon-Thu 1:30-4:15-6:50-9:35
G.I. Joe: Retaliation 3D (PG) Fri 2:30-5:10-7:50-10:35 Sat 11:50-2:30-5:10-7:50-10:35 Sun 12-2:30-5:10-7:50-10:35 Mon-Thu 1:55-4:35-7:15-10:05
The Host (PG) Fri-Sun 1:10-4:10-7:05-10:10 Mon-Thu 1-3:50-6:45-9:40
Jack the Giant Slayer (PG) Fri 2:05-4:50-7:35-10:20 Sat 11:20-2:05-4:50-7:35-10:20 Sun 1-10:20 Mon 1-3:45-10:20 Tue-Thu 1:45-4:30-7:15-9:50
Jurassic Park 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 1:25-4:25-7:20-10:25 Mon-Thu 1:10-4:05-7-9:55
The Metropolitan Opera: Rigoletto Encore (STC) Mon 6:30
Olympus Has Fallen (14A) Fri-Sun 1:40-4:30-7:15-10:15 Mon-Thu 1:20-4:10-6:55-9:45
Oz the Great and Powerful (PG) Fri-Sun 1:15 Mon-Thu 1:05
Oz the Great and Powerful 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 4:20-7:25-10:30 Mon-Thu 4-7:05-10
Spring Breakers (18A) Fri-Sun 1:05-3:30-5:50-8:10-10:40 Mon-Thu 2:50-5:10-7:30-10:10
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SilverCity Coquitlam
170 Schoolhouse Street

42 (PG) Thu 10
Admission (PG) Fri-Wed 9:20
All Dogs Go to Heaven (STC) Sat 11
The Call (14A) Fri-Sat 12:40-3:05-5:30-7:55-10:20 Sun 12:40-5:30-7:55-10:20 Mon 2:30-5-7:35-10 Tue 12:40-3:05-5:30-7:55-10:20 Wed 5-7:35-10 Thu 2:30-5-7:35-10
Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
The Croods (G) Fri 1:40-4:15-6:50 Sat 11-1:40-4:15-6:50 Sun-Thu 1:40-4:15-6:50
The Croods 3D (G) Fri-Sun 12:10-2:40-5:10-7:40-10:10 Mon 2:20-4:50-7:20-9:50 Tue 12:10-2:40-5:10-7:40-10:10 Wed-Thu 2:20-4:50-7:20-9:50
Evil Dead (18A) Fri-Sun 12:55-3:20-5:45-8:15-10:40 Mon 1-3:20-5:45-8:10-10:30 Tue 12:55-3:20-5:45-8:15-10:40 Wed-Thu 1-3:20-5:45-8:10-10:30 Fri-Sun 2:10-5-8-10:40 Mon 5-8-10:30 Tue 2:10-5-8-10:40 Wed-Thu 5-8-10:30
Exhibition: Manet — Portraying Life (G) Thu 7:30
G.I. Joe: Retaliation (PG) Fri 1:30-4:15-7-9:45 Sat 11-1:30-4:15-7-9:45 Sun-Thu 1:30-4:15-7-9:45
G.I. Joe: Retaliation 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 1:40-4:30-7:30-10:20 Mon 4:30-7:30-10:15 Tue 1:40-4:30-7:30-10:20 Wed-Thu 4:30-7:30-10:15 Fri-Sat 12-2:40-5:20-8-10:40 Sun 12:15-2:45-5:20-8-10:40 Mon 2:20-5-7:45-10:25 Tue 12-2:40-5:20-8-10:40 Wed-Thu 2:20-5-7:45-10:25
The Host (PG) Fri-Thu 1-3:50-7:20-10:15
Identity Thief (14A) Fri-Thu 9:40
The Incredible Burt Wonderstone (PG) Fri-Sat 12:30-3-5:35-8:05-10:30 Sun 1:10-3-9 Mon 2:50-5:30-8-10:30 Tue 12:30-3-5:35-8:05-10:30 Wed-Thu 2:50-5:30-8-10:30
Jack the Giant Slayer 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 1:10-4:05-6:55 Mon 1:15-4:05-6:55 Tue 1:10-4:05-6:55 Wed-Thu 1:15-4:05-6:55
Jurassic Park 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 1:20-4:25-7:30-10:30 Mon 1:20-4:25-7:30-10:25 Tue 1:20-4:25-7:30-10:30 Wed-Thu 1:20-4:25-7:30-10:25 Fri-Sun 12:50-3:50-7:10 Mon 4-7:10 Tue 12:50-3:50-7:10 Wed-Thu 4-7:10 The Metropolitan Opera: Rigoletto Encore (STC) Sat 9:55
New World (STC) Fri-Sun 12:50-4-7:10-10:15 Mon 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:15 Tue 12:50-4-7:10-10:15 Wed-Thu 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:15
Olympus Has Fallen (14A) Fri-Sun 2-4:50-7:45-10:35 Mon 2-4:50-7:40-10:30 Tue 2-4:50-7:45-10:35 Wed 4:50-7:40-10:30 Thu 2-4:50-7:40-10:30 Fri-Sun 12:30-3:20-6:40-9:40 Mon 3:30-6:40-9:30 Tue 12:30-3:20-6:40-9:40 Wed 3:30-6:40-9:30 Thu 4:15-10:15 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Oz the Great and Powerful (PG) Fri-Sun 12:35-3:40 Mon 12:55-3:55 Tue 12:35-3:40 Wed-Thu 12:55-3:55
Oz the Great and Powerful 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 1:15-4:20-7:25-10:25 Mon 1:25-4:20-7:25-10:25 Tue 1:15-4:20-7:25-10:25 Wed-Thu 1:25-4:20-7:25-10:25
Silver Linings Playbook (14A) Fri-Thu 7:05-10
Spring Breakers (18A) Fri 1:05-3:30-5:55-8:20-10:45 Sat 1:15-3:35-5:55-8:20-10:45 Sun 1:05-3:30-5:55-8:20-10:45 Mon 1:05-3:25-5:45-8:05-10:30 Tue 1:05-3:30-5:55-8:20-10:45 Wed-Thu 1:05-3:25-5:45-8:05-10:30 Fri-Sun 1:10-3:50-6:20-9 Mon 3:45-6:20-8:45 Tue 1:10-3:50-6:20-9 Wed 3:45-6:20-8:45 Thu 3:45-6:30-9
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Clova
5732-176th St. Surrey

The Croods (G) Fri 7 Sat-Sun 1:30-7 Mon-Thu 7

Hollywood 3 Cinema
7125-138th Street Surrey

21 and Over (14A) Fri-Thu 8:45
Escape From Planet Earth (G) Fri 6:45 Sat-Sun 2:30-6:45 Mon-Thu 6:45
Escape From Planet Earth 3D (G) Fri 5 Sat-Sun 12:30-5 Mon-Thu 5
Identity Thief (14A) Fri 7-9:15 Sat-Sun 2:25-7-9:15 Mon-Thu 7-9:15
Jack the Giant Slayer (PG) Fri 4:30 Sat-Sun 12-4:30 Mon-Thu 4:30
Jack the Giant Slayer 3D (PG) Fri 9:30 Sat-Sun 2:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 9:30
Life of Pi 3D (G) Fri-Thu 7
Rise of the Guardians (G) Fri-Thu 12:30
Silver Linings Playbook (14A) Fri-Thu 4:40

Strawberry Hill Grande
12161-72nd Ave Surrey

All Dogs Go to Heaven (STC) Sat 11
Chashme Baddoor (PG) Fri-Sun 2:30-5:35-9 Mon-Thu 2:30-5:45-9
The Croods (G) Fri 1-3:30-6-8:25 Sat 11-1-3:30-6-8:25 Sun 1-8:25 Mon 1-4-7 Tue 1-3:30-6-8:25 Wed-Thu 1-4-7
The Croods 3D (G) Fri 2:40-5:10-7:40-10:10 Sat-Sun 12:10-2:40-5:10-7:40-10:10 Mon 2:40-5:10-7:40-10:05 Tue 2:40-5:10-7:40-10:10 Wed-Thu 2:40-5:10-7:40-10:05
Evil Dead (18A) Fri-Sun 1-3:20-5:45-8:15-10:40 Mon 1-3:20-5:45-8:05-10:25 Tue 1-3:20-5:45-8:15-10:40 Wed-Thu 1-3:20-5:45-8:05-10:25
G.I. Joe: Retaliation (PG) Fri 2:10-4:45-7:35-10:15 Sat 11-2:10-4:45-7:35-10:15 Sun 2:10-4:45-7:35-10:15 Mon 2:10-4:45-7:20-10:10 Tue 2:10-4:45-7:35-10:15 Wed-Thu 2:10-4:45-7:20-10:10
G.I. Joe: Retaliation 3D (PG) Fri 2:40-5:20-8-10:45 Sat-Sun 12-2:40-5:20-8-10:45 Mon 2:40-5:20-8-10:30 Tue 2:40-5:20-8-10:45 Wed-Thu 2:40-5:20-8-10:30
Himmatwala (PG) Fri-Thu 2-5:30-8:45
The Host (PG) Fri-Sat 1:30-4:25-7:25-10:30 Sun 1:35-4:25-7:25-10:30 Mon 1:30-4:25-7:25-10:15 Tue 1:30-4:25-7:25-10:30 Wed-Thu 1:30-4:25-7:25-10:15
The Incredible Burt Wonderstone (PG) Fri-Sun 10:40 Mon 10 Tue 10:40 Wed-Thu 10 Jurassic Park 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30
Olympus Has Fallen (14A) Fri-Sun 1:50-4:40-7:25-10:25 Mon 1:50-4:40-7:25-10:20 Tue 1:50-4:40-7:25-10:25 Wed 4:40-7:25-10:20 Thu 1:50-4:40-7:25-10:20 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Oz the Great and Powerful (PG) Fri-Tue 1:25 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1 Thu 1:25 Oz the Great and Powerful 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 4:35-7:40-10:35 Mon 4:35-7:30-10:25 Tue 4:35-7:40-10:35 Wed-Thu 4:35-7:30-10:25
Sadda Haq (STC) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:15
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Studio 12 Guildford
15051-101st Ave Surrey

Chashme Baddoor (PG) Fri 3:45-6:45-9:35 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:45-6:45-9:35 Mon 5:30-8:30 Tue 3:45-6:45-9:35 Wed-Thu 5:30-8:30 The Croods (G) Fri 9:05 Sat-Sun 1:25-9:05 Mon 5:50 Tue 9:05 Wed-Thu 5:50
The Croods 3D (G) Fri-Sun 4:15-6:50 Mon 8:05 Tue 4:15-6:50 Wed-Thu 8:05
Evil Dead (18A) Fri 4:20-7:20-9:40 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:20-7:20-9:40 Mon 5:40-7:55 Tue 4:20-7:20-9:40 Wed-Thu 5:40-7:55
G.I. Joe: Retaliation (PG) Fri 4-6:35-9:10 Sat-Sun 1:10-4-6:35-9:10 Mon 5:10-7:50 Tue 4-6:35-9:10 Wed-Thu 5:10-7:50
G.I. Joe: Retaliation 3D (PG) Fri 4:35-7:20-9:55 Sat-Sun 1:35-4:35-7:20-9:55 Mon 5:45-8:25 Tue 4:35-7:20-9:55 Wed-Thu 5:45-8:25
Himmatwala (PG) Fri 4:30-7:50 Sat-Sun 12:45-4:30-7:50 Mon 5-8:15 Tue 4:30-7:50 Wed-Thu 5-8:15
The Host (PG) Fri 3:50-6:40-9:30 Sat-Sun 1-3:50-6:40-9:30 Mon 5:35-8:35 Tue 3:50-6:40-9:30 Wed-Thu 5:35-8:35
Jurassic Park 3D (PG) Fri 4:05-7:10-10 Sat-Sun 12:55-4:05-7:10-10 Mon 5:15-8:40 Tue 4:05-7:10-10 Wed-Thu 5:15-8:40 Olympus Has Fallen (14A) Fri 3:40-6:30-9:15 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:40-6:30-9:15 Mon 5:25-8:10 Tue 3:40-6:30-9:15 Wed-Thu 5:25-8:10
Oz the Great and Powerful (PG) Fri 9:45 Sat-Sun 1:05-9:45 Mon 5:05 Tue 9:45 Wed-Thu 5:05
Oz the Great and Powerful 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 3:55-7 Mon 8 Tue 3:55-7 Wed-Thu 8
Sadda Haq (STC) Fri 4:10-6:55-9:40 Sat-Sun 1:20-4:10-6:55-9:40 Mon 5:20-8:20 Tue 4:10-6:55-9:40 Wed-Thu 5:20-8:20
Spring Breakers (18A) Fri 4:25-7:25-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:25-7:25-9:50 Mon 5:55-8:45 Tue 4:25-7:25-9:50 Wed-Thu 5:55-8:45 WWE WrestleMania XXIX - 2013 (STC) Sun 4

Rialto
1732-152nd Street
White Rock

Promised Land (PG) Fri 7 Sat-Sun 2-7 Mon-Thu 7 Quartet (PG) Fri 7:15 Sat-Sun 2:10-7:15 Mon-Thu 7:15

Criterion 4 White Rock
2381 King George Highway

The Croods (G) Fri 7:30-9:20 Sat-Sun 2:30-7:30-9:20 Mon-Thu 7:30-9:20
G.I. Joe: Retaliation (PG) Fri 7:20-9:35 Sat-Sun 2:20-7:20-9:35 Mon-Thu 7:20-9:35
The Host (PG) Fri 7-9:25 Sat-Sun 2-7-9:25 Mon-Thu 7-9:25
Olympus Has Fallen (14A) Fri 7:10-9:30 Sat-Sun 2:10-7:10-9:30 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:30

Colossus Langley
20090-91A Ave Langley

21 and Over (14A) Fri-Sun 5:55-8:15-10:35 Mon-Thu 7:25-9:55
42 (PG) Thu 10
Admission (PG) Fri-Sun 12:15-2:50-5:20-7:55-10:35 Mon 4:05-10:15 Tue 4:05-7:10-10:15 Wed 4:05-10:15 Thu 4:05-7:10-10:15
All Dogs Go to Heaven (STC) Sat 11
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The Call (14A) Fri-Thu 10:10
G.I. Joe: Retaliation (PG) Fri-Thu 8
The Guilt Trip (PG) Fri-Sat 11:55

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word

Are Will and Jada getting jiggy with it?

THE WORD
Dorothy Robinson
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Do Will and Jada Smith have an open marriage? If you read between the lines in a recent interview with the star with Huffington Post Live, it certainly seems like it.

"I've always told Will, 'You can do whatever you want as long as you can look at yourself in the mirror and be OK,'" she said. "Because at the end of the day, Will is his own man. I'm here as his partner, but he is his own man. He has to decide who he wants to be and that's not for me to do for him. Or vice versa."

Don't let my husband read this, please.

Justin Bieber ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

School's out for Bieber: Exams postponed for pop concerts

Officials at five Norwegian schools have reportedly rescheduled their midterm exams so as not to coincide with a pair of Justin Bieber concerts later this month, according to Fox News. The school officials were apparently concerned that holding the exams in conflict with the April 16 and 17 concerts would lead to students skipping the tests in favour of seeing Bieber. The singer himself apparently approves, tweeting a link to the news with the comment, "Love this."

Trumps's suit against Maher shelved, for now

Donald Trump has dropped his $5 million lawsuit against comedian and television host of Bill Maher — which started over Maher's insistence that he would donate that amount of money to charity if Trump could prove he's not the son of an orangutan — but that doesn't mean the suit is history. "The lawsuit was withdrawn to be amended and refiled at a later date," Trump's attorney, Michael Cohen, tells E! News. Maher made his initial challenge to Trump after the Apprentice boss publicly offered to donate $5 million to charity if Barack Obama would produce his original birth certificate.

Donald Trump

LIFE 3

Dig in! Feast of Thrones

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Noble booze

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Since I'm the guy who's still working his way through the first season of Mad Men, I've been slow getting into Game of Thrones. That said, Thrones' plot line may have me forsaking Don Draper in favour of Tyrion Lannister.

I'm on board with any show that could possibly involve a feast or two. After all, where there's a chance of wild beast being served there's bound to be booze.

It's no cliché that white meats generally call for whites wines. Their texture and subtle flavours can get steamrolled by many reds, but not all. Chicken, especially one coated with a fruit or honey glaze, is a perfect match for the bright berry flavours that ooze from the pinot noir grape.

Thrones' tales of infighting and epic battles remind me of France, pinot's original home that's no stranger to clashes of historic proportions.

The 2011 Baron Philippe de Rothschild Pinot Noir Vin de Pays d'Oc ($11.95 to $13.99) from southern France has a soft, mushroom-meets-strawberry aroma and more than enough mouth appeal to match with honeyed chicken and fantasy world conniving. **PRICES REFLECT THE RANGE ACROSS THE COUNTRY. SOME PRODUCTS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN ALL PROVINCES.**

Food. HBO's Game of Thrones returned for Season 3 last week and what better way to celebrate than host a medieval-themed dinner party based on the epic fantasy novels and TV series?

ROMINA MCGUINNESS
Metro World News in London

A Feast of Ice and Fire, the official Game of Thrones cookbook, recreates some of the mouth-watering recipes featured in the novels, including Dothraki Blood Pie and Hen on the Wall.

Co-author and Chef Chelsea Monroe-Cassel talks us through how to throw a premiere party, Westeros style.

Setting the scene: Rich, romantic and grandiose

We don't all live in castles, so it can be tough to transform a regular apartment into something that looks the part. One thing you can do is to set up some kind of entrance. Try to find a brocade or velvet throw from a thrift store.

Split it down the middle and tie it to either side of a door using gold cord to make a grander entryway. Illuminate the room by lighting candles everywhere.

I'd avoid using scents that are too overpowering, such as rose or patchouli, as the heavy smell could clash with the flavours of the food. Simple beeswax is best.

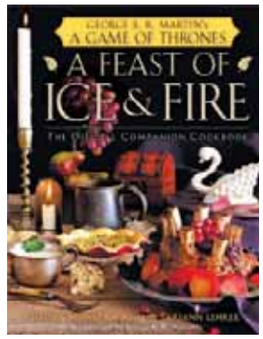

Table etiquette: Finger licking is OK

There's something awesome about being dressed up in a cloak and sat around a table eating chicken with your fingers by candlelight. Most of your guests will be hardcore fans, and think it's awesome. But others may be a little more reluctant. So if you take away their forks, leaving just knives and napkins, they'll have to play along like everyone else. Put in the extra effort to find medieval looking dishes and silverware, anything made from wood or pewter works.

The feast: Dig in

People think medieval food is gross, but recipes that sound weird are delicious once made. ... Seeing an opulent spread of food is really satisfying. So once everything is ready, lay it all out on the table at once. The only course that should be saved for later is the dessert. Serve it once your guests have settled down to watch the show in the lounge. Lastly, don't forget to quench your guests' thirst. Make sure you have plenty of red wine and apple cider to get you through the night.

Appetizer. Very simple but tasty Dornish fare

"We haven't gotten to this in the show yet, but the Dornish have some of the best finger food."

Ingredients

- Hummus
- Purple Olives
- Pita bread
- Feta Cheese

1. Place the hummus, olives, pita bread and feta cheese on a platter and serve.

Dinner. Honeyed Chicken

"This is essentially just a roast chicken with a good sauce, but it's great because it's straight out of the halls of Winterfell. Plus, if you deny your guests silverware, they have to tear into it with their bare hands."

1. Rub chicken down with olive oil and salt. Heat oven at 450 F and leave to roast for approximately one hour.

2. In meantime, combine all ingredients for sauce in pan and leave to simmer until the raisins look plump and the mixture thickens. Remove from the heat and when the chicken is done, coat it with honey sauce.

Ingredients

- 1 whole chicken for roasting
- Olive oil
- Salt

Sauce:

- 1/2 cup apple cider vinegar
- 1/3 cup honey
- 1 tsp fresh mint
- Small handful of raisins
- 1/2 tbsp butter

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Sakura Days at the Van Dusen Botanical Garden

This weekend, be sure to make the most out of the sunny weather and head over to enjoy this two-day Japanese festival that celebrates tradition, culture, arts and performances. Enjoy a Japanese tea ceremony and sample traditional cuisine and sake before heading out on a walking tour around the stunning gardens. Tickets are $12. More info at vcbf.ca/events/japan-fair.

Friday Late Night Movies at the Rio Theatre

If you're searching for plans this month, be sure to check out the latest batch of late night offerings courtesy of The Rio Theatre. Throughout April, classic flicks guaranteed to liven up your Friday nights will be screened, starting with this week's old school cinematic gem The Warriors. Expect a night loaded with quasi-apocalyptic fun. Next weekend will feature Tim Burton's Pee Wee's Big Adventure. For more information and to purchase tickets visit riotheatre.ca.

Pillow Fight

Be a part of the 2013 World Wide Pillow Fight this Saturday. Grab an old feather pillow and be sure to make your way down to the corner of Robson and Hornby around 3 p.m., where you're guaranteed to be swamped in feathery fun. Join hundreds of other people for 15 minutes of chaos that is over pretty much as soon as it begins. It's the best pop-up pillow fight around, and everyone ought to do it at least once in their life. Vancouver Art Gallery, 750 Hornby Street.

Art Battle no.49 at Raw Canvas

Don't miss the next edition of the epic art battle, which pits local and international artists against each other in the hopes of creating a winning piece, on Tuesday. This time around, the medium is acrylic, with the only tools permitted are palette knives, brushes and non-mechanical implements. Eight artists will work under pressure with an open theme and plenty of onlookers. Be sure to purchase your ticket in advance for $10 or $15 at the door. For more details visit artbattle.ca.

Roy Henry Vickers: Raven Brings the Light

The stunning Waterfall Building will provide the backdrop for the works of one of Canada's most lauded artists, Roy Henry Vickers. His largest-ever collection of new prints is about to launch (this Saturday). This free public show on Saturday starts at 10:30 a.m. with an 11 a.m. storytelling session and release of the Raven Brings the Light book (co-authored by Vickers and historian Robert Budd). 1540 W. 2nd Ave.

Coming Up: artsScene Vancouver's Relaunch

artsScene is about to officially relaunch with a bang on Thursday. Guests are invited to attend an evening filled with collaborative canvas painting (Raw Canvas), a theatre performance by the Ladies in White, and plenty more. Enjoy sipping craft cocktails and nibbling tasty canapés surrounded by local artists and professionals. Grab your $10 ticket to this must-attend event. 316 West 5th Ave. artsscenevancouver.com.

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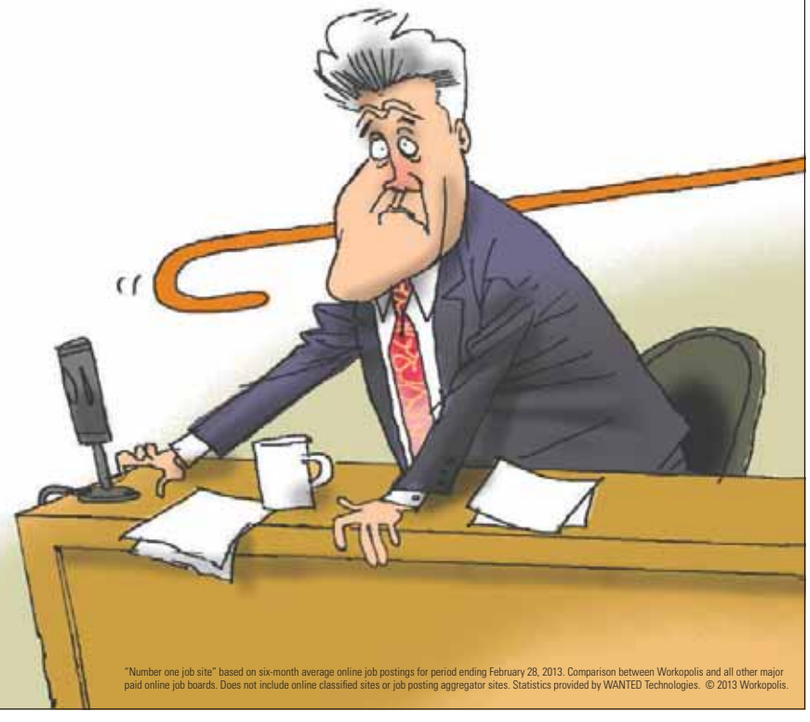

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Canucks shut out Oilers at home

NHL. Schneider stone-walls Oilers to move Canucks into first in their division

Cory Schneider made 23 saves and Henrik Sedin had a two-point night as the Vancouver Canucks defeated the Edmonton Oilers 4-0 on Thursday.

Schneider, making his ninth consecutive start, had to make just 12 saves through 40 minutes but stopped 11 in the third for his fourth shutout of the season and eighth of his career. His best was when he got a glove on a Taylor Hall shot when the Oilers winger was alone in front of the net on a power play with just four minutes to go in the game. About a minute later he rushed out of his net, past the hashmarks, to deny Ales Hemsky a breakaway opportunity.

Sedin set up Kevin Bieksa's first-period goal and then scored in the second to help Vancouver (20-11-6) move past Minnesota for first in the Northwest Division and third in the Western Conference. Chris Higgins and Zack Kassian scored in the third to help Vancouver snap out of a two-game losing skid.

Nikolai Khabibulin made 24 saves for Edmonton (16-14-7), which had its five-game winning streak snapped and fell into ninth in the conference.

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On Thursday

Canucks	Oilers
4	0

Daniel Sedin jumps in front of Oilers goalie Nikolai Khabibulin during the second period in Vancouver Thursday. The Canucks won 4-0. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Davis Cup. Pospisil opens for Canada in quarter-final

The draw for this weekend's Davis Cup quarter-final tie has been done, and Vasek Pospisil will play for Canada in the opening match against Italy.

Pospisil, the 22-year-old from Vernon, will play Andreas Seppi in the first rubber Friday at the UBC Doug Mitchell Thunderbird Sports Centre.

It's a battle of the 18th-ranked men's singles player in the world in Seppi against the 140th-ranked men's singles player in the world in Pospisil, who is slated to play in three of the five matches due to an injury to Frank Dancevic.

Canadian Milos Raonic, ranked 16th in the world, will be matched up against Fabio Fognini in the second rubber on Friday.

This is Canada's first appearance in a World Group quarter-final, after the nation's Davis Cup team upset top-ranked Spain in the first-round tie in February.

The winner of this quarter-final tie faces either the U.S. or Serbia in the semifinal.

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Hurtado at home in San Jose

As a student at Santa Clara University in California, Erik Hurtado couldn't help but go to San Jose Earthquakes home games.

After all, Buck Shaw Stadium, home of the Earthquakes, was "right next to my apartment," said Hurtado, the Vancouver Whitecaps' speedy 22-year-old rookie.

Consider the Whitecaps' road game against the Earthquakes a homecoming of sorts for Hurtado.

"I love it. I've got all my friends back home in the Santa Clara area. I just can't wait to go back and see them, especially against San Jose," he told reporters following Thursday's training at UBC.

Hurtado estimates he's played in that stadium 40 times over the course of his university career.

"For me, it's a big field; you get space in behind. It's great grass, and at night under the lights it's a great crowd out there.... The fans are crazy and it's a great atmosphere," he said.

It's a good bet that Hurtado will be in Vancouver's 18-man squad, based on the comments of head coach Martin Rennie.

Hurtado, the fifth overall pick in this year's Super-Draft, has appeared in all four Whitecaps games.

Vancouver is still in search of its first road win. Its first two games away from BC Place yielded consecutive 2-1 losses, dropping its record early on this season to 2-2-0.

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
You have never been afraid to fight for your rights but you need to remember that others have rights as well. You could force your wishes on others today but it's really not worth the bad feeling.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
If you are the focus of gossip, the best way to deal with it is to laugh it off. It seems someone is stirring up trouble and hoping you will react. Now that you know, act cool.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
You may not like it when others make decisions for you but the planets indicate you will have to grin and bear it today. Sometimes you have no choice but to follow orders. But you'll get your revenge.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
Your rivals are not nearly as powerful or influential as they think they are. Your best defense when confronted by anger or animosity is to just ignore them. Imagine they don't exist — and for you they won't.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
There is something you know you must do, something you should probably have done weeks ago. Stop just thinking about it and do something concrete. Take the first step and the rest will come easy.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
You can't resist giving advice —it's part of your nature — but don't be surprised if what you say today is outright rejected by a friend. You're allowed to give advice but they don't have to take it.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
There will be situations over which you have no control and you need to accept that. Don't waste your time and energy trying to change what cannot be changed. Relax — it's life.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Don't be too eager to get rid of one thing so you can have another, because it may not be as simple as that. If you are thinking of making changes, try waiting a few days. They may be unnecessary.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
You may be inclined, in true Sagittarian fashion, to throw everything at a problem in the hope that one huge effort will solve it. Maybe it will, but more likely you will exhaust yourself. Is it really worth the effort?

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You seem to believe that the world is against you, that negative forces are plotting to bring you down. You've been reading too many conspiracy theories. The world is not against you, it loves you.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Is it possible to affect the outcome of a situation by thinking strong and positive thoughts about it? Yes, it is. And if you give it a go over the next few days you will be amazed by the results.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
It will be easy to lose your temper with someone today but is it worth the effort? No, it's not. The best way to deal with those who annoy you is to pretend they don't exist.

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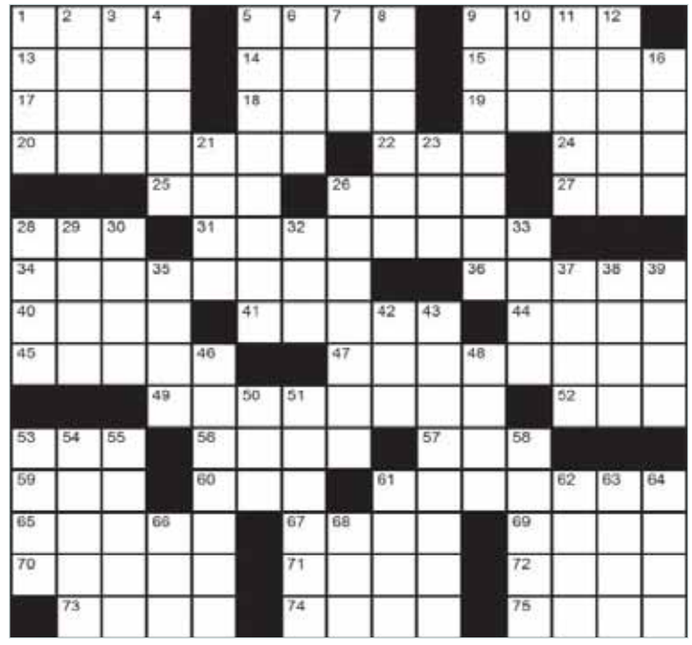
Crossword: Canada Across and Down

BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN



Across
1. Blue Rodeo song
5. Heidi Klums 'Runway', e.g.
9. Aries animals
13. Newspaper piece, __-__
14. Memorization method
15. 1998 to 2000 Canadian series, "__ of New Moon"
17. Carpe __!
18. Star Wars creature
19. Whoopi Goldberg's role in "The Color Purple" (1985)
20. Mulled-over by picky actors
22. Fancy affirmative
24. Chanted by chanters
25. Nose: French
26. Scheme
27. Six, in Italy
28. Opposite NbW
31. Hamlet in Nunavut
34. "American Idol" alum Constantine who is starring in #8-Down
36. Young salmon
40. Joni Mitchell's "__ for Going"
41. Perform badly, say
44. 'Memorab' add-on
45. Band
47. Breakfast appliances
49. Finance Minister, Jim __
52. Furniture wood
53. Sit-ups targets
56. Secondhand
57. Pinafore's letters in opera circles
59. Batch
60. "Oh, give __ _ home..."
61. Ancient area of France
65. Montreal __ (Where the Canadiens once played)
67. On-a-glass citrus slice
69. J.R.R. Tolkien's li'l masterpiece
70. Entertain
71. Fort __, Ontario
72. Architect Mr. Saarinen
73. Headliner
74. Knitter's need
75. Hellmann's, e.g.

Down
1. Curtains holders
2. Heroic tale
3. __-do-well
4. __. Assistant (Office job)
5. Knotted/salted snacks
6. Dustups
7. Ear: Prefix
8. __ & Hyde (Broadway musical starring Canadian singer Deborah Cox)
9. Takes back, as a statement
10. Soul: French
11. Canadian tennis player Mr. Raonic
12. Green ooze
16. "__, _ can." (Can-do attitude reply)
21. Place in South†America
23. Montreal tap liquid
26. Put forth, as fact
28. Conceitedly contented
29. Roseanne of "Roseanne"
30. As a result
32. Canine command!
33. Give off
35. Egg: French
37. Prefix meaning 'Oil'
38. Currency replaced by the Euro
39. Job
42. Hide Hair connector
43. Hamilton-born actress Ms. Robertson
46. Toronto-born actor Christopher
48. Types of orchestras, for short
50. 'Purch' add-on (Buy)
51. "Angel Eyes" singer Jeff
53. __ Romeo (Sports car)
54. Periods of prosperity
55. Work the fashion runway
58. Witch Trials site
61. Type of ruler
62. Papua New Guinea monetary unit
63. Macy Gray hit: 2 wds.
64. 'Buck' add-on
66. Bruce Springsteen's "Born in the _-_-_"
68. George Gershwin's brother

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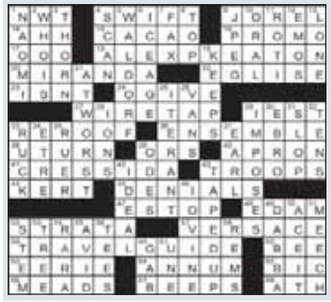

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How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

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Yesterday's Sudoku

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